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BY ANALYSIS OF AN AVERAGE IMPEDANCE
MORPHOLOGY CURVE"

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant requests that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 6,223,079
AB United States Patent No. 5,782,884
AC United States Patent No. 5,584,868
AD United States Patent No. 5,334,422
AE United States Patent No. 5,282,840
AF United States Patent No. 4,535,774
AL European Application 0 765 671
AM European Application 0 615 770
AN European Application 0 607 511

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

References AA, AC, AD and AF were identified and discussed at page 1 of the present specification and Applicants stand by the statements in the specification concerning the teachings of these references.

References AA, AB, AE, AL, AM and AN were cited in a Search Report rendered by the Swedish Patent Office during examination of the counterpart Swedish application. A copy of the Swedish Search Report is submitted herewith.

References AA and AM were cited in a Search Report rendered by the European Patent Office during examination of the counterpart European application. A copy of the European Search Report is submitted herewith.

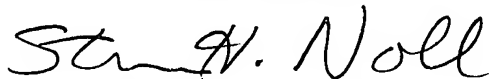
Since all of these references are in English, no further commentary concerning their teachings is necessary.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application, and therefore, this Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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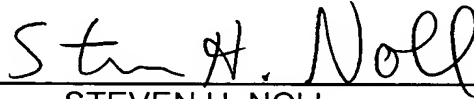
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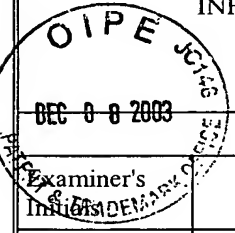
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